

SUMMARY OF THE FRAUD/DATA EVALUATION WORKGROUP

Organizer: CDSS Adult Programs, Quality Assurance Bureau

Location: Health & Human Services Data Center, 9323 Tech Center Drive,
Conference Room 2, Sacramento, California

Date: August 30, 2005

Time: 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

The meeting was attended by consumers, providers, various state and county staff, advocacy groups, and union representatives in person and via teleconference.

Attendees signed in and received the following handouts: An Agenda; a copy of Power Point slides outlining the meeting plan (see attached); a copy of ACIN I-24-05 www.dss.cahwnet.gov/getinfo/acin05/pdf/I-24_05.pdf; and a draft copy of the fraud ACIN.

Brian Koepp, Chief, Quality Assurance Bureau (QAB), commenced the meeting by welcoming the attendees. He summarized what the workgroup completed by recapping the previous workgroup meeting held June 17, 2005. The next steps were to follow-up on outstanding issues with interagency processes and procedures, and issue a draft ACIN. Brian discussed the outstanding issues from the last workgroup regarding investigation of fraud and data evaluations. He then had the attendees introduce themselves.

Julie Lopes, Manager, QA Monitoring Unit, provided an overview of the workgroup's accomplishments. The workgroup outlined key statutory provisions; compiled them into three categories for breakout discussions; identified tasks and issues; and issued a draft ACIN for review and input. Julie stated CDSS used the information gathered by the workgroup, interagency meetings, and statute to draft the ACIN. The attendees then discussed the draft ACIN and identified the following issues:

- Since the ACIN states all suspected fraud needs to be reported to DHS, what is the role of the county district attorney offices?
- DHS has limited resources, while many counties have fraud units or teams. Which fraud investigations should go to DHS and which to the counties?
- How will county investigations of fraud be funded?

The statute requires all IHSS fraud to be reported to DHS. Therefore, CDSS is not able to provide clarification regarding what the role counties will have regarding investigating fraud. DHS will have to provide that clarification. Brian shared that we will work with our Fiscal staff to determine the best mechanism to inform counties of the claiming process.

Attendees were asked to take the draft ACIN to their counties for review and to provide comments on the ACIN by September 15, 2005. Comments can be emailed to IHSS-QA@dss.ca.gov. The ACIN will be released in October 2005.

Brian concluded the meeting by thanking the workgroup for their commitment and contributions to the Fraud/Data Evaluation Workgroup. As the workgroup had accomplished their assigned tasks, it was agreed that this workgroup would close. The Fraud/Data Evaluation Workgroup will no longer meet unless a critical issue develops.

**FRAUD/DATA EVALUATION WORKGROUP
ATTENDEES AT THE 8/30/2005 MEETING**

Name	Organization
Pamela Cao	DHHS/IHSS
Deborah Celestine	Alameda Co IHSS QA
Karen Keeslar	CAPA
Kathleen Schwarz	Sac. Co. DHHS
Brian Koepp	CDSS QA
Ayri Tawil	DSS
Fay Mikiska	IHSS Adv. Committee – Sacramento
Patrick Finch	CDSS QA
Therese Crockett	San Joaquin Co.
Riki Johnson	Butte Co. DA
Tona Thow	Sac. Co. DHHS
Susan Schwendimann	Sac. Co. IHSS QA
Clint Jossey	Contra Costa Co. IHSS
Melody McInturf	Sac. Co. IHSS QA
Pamela Ng	Sac. Co. IHSS QA
Floralma Valencia	Sacramento Co.
Wayman Hindsman	CDSS
Andrea Allgood	CDSS QA
Bernadette Lynch	IHSS PA
Karan Spencer	CDSS QA
Lola Young	CSL & Gray Panthers
Jake Jacobs	Glenn Co. HRA
Peter Hadell	Tuolumne Co. DSS
Alan Okada	SCO
Scott Braithwaite	Sacramento IHSS
Irene Cole	Monterey Co. IHSS
Patte Bowers	Butte Co. & DA Fraud
Maher Dimachkie	DHS
Janis Carder	San Joaquin Co.
Jean Dang	Sacramento Co. IHSS QA
Jodi Beller	Butte Co. QA
Guy Klopp	Sacramento Co. IHSS
Judy Griffin	Placer Co. IHSS
Wayne Duguid	DHS-Inv.
Debbie Wender	CDSS QA
Tamara Rasberry	SEIU
Julia Placencia	SEIU

Name	Organization
Cyndee Forbes	Sac. Co. IHSS
Sharon Rehm	Sac. Co. IHSS
Julie Lopes	CDSS/QA
Jeannette Johnson	Sac. Co. IHSS
Jim Newton	Sac. Co. IHSS Fraud
Lori Little	Sac. Co. IHSS Fraud
Anastasia Dodson	Senate Budget Committee
Diana Kalsic	CWDA
Cindy DeSoto	Independent Living Centers Los Angeles.

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TO THE
QUALITY ASSURANCE
INITIATIVE
FRAUD/DATA EVALUATION
WORKGROUP**

August 30, 2005

RECAP

■ Last meeting's next steps

- Follow-up on outstanding issues with Interagency Processes and Procedures
- Issue draft ACIN

TODAY'S MEETING OBJECTIVES

- **Provide an Update on Activities**
 - **Overview of Workgroup progress**
- **Discuss draft ACIN**
 - **Review and input**

Workgroup Overview

- Outlined key statutory provisions
- Compiled them into three categories for breakout discussions
 - Interagency processes and procedures
 - Data evaluation
 - Verification of receipt of services
- Identified tasks and issues
- Issue draft ACIN for review and input

NEXT STEPS

- Workgroup closure August 30, 2005
- E-mail ACIN comments
IHSS-QA@dss.ca.gov by
September 15, 2005
- Release ACIN by October 2005